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Preface

The present volume is based on two workshops: The CAPE International Conference “Ethics and Well-being”, held in Kyoto, Japan, November 9th and 10th, 2013, and the CAPE International Conference “A Frontier of Philosophy of Time”, held also in Kyoto, Japan, November 30th and December 1st, 2013. This volume consists of two parts, each of which is devoted respectively to these workshops. Although the discussions are not fully developed due to limit of time and space, the topics discussed are diverse and evocative. We hope that readers would enjoy the volume. Before the articles, below is some information of the two workshops.

The main objective of the CAPE international conference “Ethics and Well-being” was to convene students and scholars to discuss and share the experience of shaping philosophy on ethics and well-being. We had twelve speakers in total: Nir Ben-Moshe, Claire Benn, Michael Campbell, Ryo Chonabayashi, Lidia de Tienda Palop, Seiyu Hayashi, Paulus Kaufmann, Takumichi Kojo, Nobutoshi Nagamori, Yuuki Ohta, Miriam Pryke, and Taku Sasaki (listed in alphabetical order). Active debates were held among participants on various topics on well-being, such as its meaning, its relation to other issues, its role within moral theories.

“Well-being” is often used interchangeably with “happiness”. Some contemporary philosophers, such as Dan Haybron, nonetheless distinguish them. The former is a life that goes well for the person leading it; the latter is a state of mind. Our interest is in both senses.

The present volume includes all papers presented in the conference. Some trace the usage of well-being or happiness in the classical works of John Locke, David Hume, and Immanuel Kant. Some papers examine its relation to morality, absolute goodness, practical identity, groups, and the idea of using persons. Other papers show its significance within contemporary views, e.g. the Capabilities Approach, Psychological Perfectionism, or the

Humean Theory of Reasons.

The aim of the CAPE international conference “A Frontier of Philosophy of Time” was to promote international communication among philosophers working on time and its related areas, including metaphysics, logic, linguistics, philosophy of science, etc. We had thirteen speakers in total: David Braddon-Mitchell, Richard Dietz, Tora Koyama, Chunghyung Lee, Raamy Majeed, Ulrich Meyer, Kristie Miller, Takeshi Sakon, Katsuhiko Sano, Ikuro Suzuki, Jonathan Tallant, Sho Yamaguchi, and Tsuyoshi Yokoo (listed in alphabetical order). Active debates were held among participants on various topics, such as Aspects of Time’s Passage (Part I), Time, Logic and Language (Part II), Time in Physics (Part III), and Other Central Issues of Time (Part IV). The present volume includes works by Kristie Miller, Ikuro Suzuki, Sho Yamaguchi, Ulrich Meyer and David Braddon-Mitchell.

These workshops are supported by Center for Applied Philosophy and Ethics (CAPE) and sponsored by the Kyoto University general fund. A lot of people helped arrange the conference and edit this volume. Thanks to Daisuke Kaida, Satoshi Kodama, Masahiko Mizutani, Noriko Taguchi for their great help to make the workshop go smoothly without any troubles. Also thanks to Daisuke Kaida for his helpful suggestion about the layout and the preface of this volume. Finally we thank all the contributors for their cooperation with us throughout the editing process.

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